Term 1-Week 5 - 1 March 2013

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together \& Aspiring Higher

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT 

## Denise Webster

Every year half the positions on School Council are up for re-election. The election process for School Council 2013 has now concluded. Four nominations were received for the four vacant positions and as a result the following parents were duly elected without the need for a ballot. Congratulations to: Mrs Alice Davies, Mr Stephen Smith, Mr Martin Taylor and Mrs Tania Taylor. Also we welcome back Mrs Karen Laurent who was elected as one of our staff representatives. We look forward to working with all of our school councillors over the course of 2013 and welcome the skills and ideas that they offer to the benefit of all in our school community. School Council meets on Tuesday 19 March. The Annual General Meeting will begin at 6.30 pm and will be followed by the election meeting where office bearers are elected. The general meeting of the School Council will begin at approximately 7.30 pm . We welcome all members of the school community to join us.

School Photos are scheduled to be taken on Thursday 21 March and, weather permitting, we are also hoping to have our Centenary photograph taken at some stage during the day. If this is not possible we will organise another time for this very special photo.

Tomorrow is our first fundraising event for the year at the Keysborough Bunnings store. We greatly appreciate the time that people have offered to assist with the sausage sizzle. If you think that you may have a spare hour on Saturday afternoon to help please let us know.

The Extra Curricula program is about to start. Posters around the school give specific details and there will be a range of activities designed to cater for students in all year levels. Additional activities will be offered as the year progresses. There will also be more information about the program further on in this newsletter.

## SWIMMING James Whitla

On Monday 18 February our 2013 Swimming Team raced against other schools in our District Swimming Carnival. Our team achieved outstanding results and there were plenty of $1^{\text {st }}$, $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ placed ribbons to be seen being worn proudly by our determined team. It was fantastic to see all students giving their very best effort in each event they competed in. Congratulations to all!
The team who represented Edithvale Primary so well was: Camille Nightingale, Sharni Teesdale, Emily Hawker, Amelia Vella, Will Forster, Samson Melatua, Long Long Lu, Stefan Hosi, Brooke Pearson, Holly Cox, Yujie Sun, Joanna Elkington, Nick Baker, Drew Kugimiya, Philbert Lan, Harry Cawley, Laura Melatua, Olivia Hampson, Katya Adkin, Jade Boyd, Tane Mackintosh, Finn Sinclair, Sebastian Dobbs, Jack Mogensen, Will Hampson, Mitch Nickhols, Daisie Cooper, Fraser Syme \& Mac Cleaver.
We would also like to wish Jade Boyd the best of luck when she competes at the next level of competition- the Kingston Divisional Swimming Carnival- in the 50 m Freestyle and 50 m Butterfly events.

## FIRE DRILL



Last week we conducted a second fire drill that involved an evacuation of all students, staff and parents from the buildings at school. These drills are conducted to ensure the safety of our entire school community in the event of an emergency. Our students should be congratulated on the manner in which they acted throughout the mock evacuation where they showed good judgment and listened carefully to others around them. Well done to all students. A further practice Emergency evacuation will take place towards the end of term so that we can ensure our procedures and plans are in excellent working order.

## CANTEEN <br> Mrs Diane Cameron

## Remember-the Canteen is only open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday \& Friday

WOW! What a fortnight the Canteen has had with an abundance of hot days, which has resulted in huge sales of Paddle Pops, Callippos and Frozen Juice Cups.

As deliveries of these items are only one day a week, some icy poles have sold out.


New stocks will be available on Monday.
The price of Hot Apple Pies is $\$ 2.00$. Although this change occurred last year, unfortunately, the price list was printed with the incorrect price. Please amend your Canteen price list accordingly

A big thankyou to Parent Helpers over the fortnight, a huge effort on those hot days.

The Canteen will be running a Sushi Day on Tuesday 26 March. Forms will be sent out soon.

Remember Lunch Bags are available at the Canteen. Order forms and prices are attached to this newsletter.

## CANTEEN ROSTER-TERM ONE

| Mon 4th | Tue 5th | Thu 7th | Fri 8th |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kerrie <br> Mussert | Becky <br> Evangelista | Kerrie Short | Kellie <br> Kingsley |
| Mon 11th | Tue 12th | Thu 14th | Fri 15th |
| Labour Day <br> Holiday | Claire <br> Stewart | Michelle <br> Lothian | Kellie <br> Kingsley |

## PAYMENT ENVELOPES

Remember that if you would like a few 'payment envelopes', you can collect them from the school office. Otherwise, you can use any envelope, just ensure you include your child's name, class, the name of the excursion and how much is enclosed, on the front of the envelope. Thank you.

# STUDENT CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORMS Sandie Wishart-Business Manager 

Thank you to all of you who have returned your Student Confidential Information forms. All changes are being entered onto our database as quickly as possible.

Please note that where the parents are not living together, this needs to be reflected on our database. The parent the child lives with mostly should be listed under the Primary Family, as Adult A. The other parent should be listed under Alternate Family, as Adult A. Respective partners, can be listed as Adult B in their respective families. It is important that we have this information correct for many reasons; one reason is that it helps us identify those families who need an extra copy of school reports sent out. If your situation changes at any time, please pop in and give us the new information as soon as possible.

Also, on the forms, there is a question about how your child travels to school. Many parents have requested we put more than one answer in there, but unfortunately the system only allows one word, so sorry, but we can't expand on this.

## FAMILY STATEMENTS

All families should have received an account statement by now. All charges paid via Officemax have been receipted to your account and everything is up to date. If you elected to pay your charges in three equal instalments, the credit card option has been processed. If you chose to pay by BPay, please process this payment ASAP, if you haven't already done so.

If you have a credit on your account, [which will be shown with a minus sign beside it], then please remember to use this credit to pay for upcoming excursions or other charges, such as camps or swimming.

If you would like to pay by BPay, please bundle charges together so that the payment is of $\$ 20$ or more. Some people even set up a scheduled payment of $\$ 20$ each week and slowly chip away at their outstanding charges. This is a great idea, but please send me an email so that I know you are doing this, and giving me permission to allocate the money as I see fit. BPay codes are included on your statement.

If you have any queries about your account, then please give me a call on 9772 1393. Thank you.

## DEAR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

We would like to extend you an invitation to listen to Dr Natalie Flatt from onPsych, talk about anxiety and how to identify it in your child and hear some creative parenting strategies on how to manage it. Anxiety is a term used to describe a normal feeling people experience when faced with threat, danger, or when stressed. When people become anxious, they typically feel upset, uncomfortable, and tense.

This session will be held at school in the staff room from 9:00 am-10:00 am on Thursday 14 March. Please let us know if you can make it by letting the ladies in the office know.

## eSMART PROGRAM

This year, EPS is proud to announce its participation in the government initiative program eSmart. An eSmart school is a school where the smart, safe and responsible use of information and communications technology is a cultural norm.

Students, teachers and the wider school community are equipped to embrace the best these technologies can offer, while being savvy about the potential pitfalls. We are working towards educating both students and parents about the safe and smart use of ICT as well as the dangers it may pose. We are hoping that this will aid in solving issues that may arise when using different forms of ICT.

Should you wish to look at more information about this initiative please go to the website below for more details:
https://www.esmartschools.org.au/

## ART ROOM Ms Jenny Lang

We are looking for recyclable materials for the art room. If you can help us out with any of the following items we would be most appreciative.

- telephone books (yellow and white)
- tubes
- yoghurt containers (small)
- meat trays (foam)
- egg cartons
- boxes (only as large as a cereal box)

All items can be left at the Art room.

## STAFF CARPARK

We have noticed a number of people have been entering the school grounds via the staff carpark. For the safety of
 students and parents, we ask that parents park in the street and use other entrances. The carpark is for staff use only.

## PAYMENT ENVELOPES

This year, due to time constraints and rising costs, we won't be sending payment envelopes home with every excursion notice. Instead, you can call in to the office and collect a few to have on hand as you need them. You can also collect additional envelopes at any time.
You can of course, use any envelope you have on hand to send money along to school; just ensure that you write the information on the outside-ie: child's name. class, what the money is for and the amount included. Thank you.

## STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

A reminder that neither the School or the Department provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents/Guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

The package of permission forms that went home recently included a permission form for RE for Years 1-4 only. Prep and Year 5 \& 6 do not participate in Religious Education classes, therefore the blue RE form was not included in their packs.
If you have not sent your forms back yet, please do so at your earliest convenience-we need to have our records up to date as soon as possible.

BOOK CLUB<br>Don't forget Book Club orders are due Friday 15 March

## UNIFORM SHOP

From 5 March, the Uniform Shop opening hours will be changed to $3.00 \mathrm{pm}-4.00 \mathrm{pm}$, still on a Tuesday afternoon

# KIDS TRI SERIES <br> RACE 4 SANDRINGHAM <br> Tane Mackintosh, Laura Melatua and Mitch Keatley 

On Sunday 24 February we went to Sandringham to compete in a kids Triathlon. We were all pumped up, excited and ready for the race. When we started, we sped off running for 500 m down the beach and then into the transition area to swap from our run to the bikes.

Once on our bikes we rode for 3 km and then finished with a 400 m run. We sprinted our hearts out to the finish line. We all thought it was a really fun race!


## PARENT HELPER PROGRAM

 Mrs Karen LaurentAt Edithvale Primary School we greatly value the partnership between parents and the school. We appreciate all the help that parents give their children at home and at school. We especially value the help, support and time that many parents give in our classrooms.
Once again this year we are offering a "Parent Helper Program" for those who wish to assist with reading and writing in the classroom.
We ask that any parent who would like to assist in the classroom undertake these workshops.
This program will consist of 2 sessions Friday 8 March and Friday 15 March, between 9:00 am and 11:00 am.
If you are able to attend these sessions please send a note to your child's teacher with your name, your child's name and grade.

We will contact you with further details.

# ASPENDALE GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS 

## PH: 95875955 FAX: 95875280 <br> EMAIL: agcsinc@bigpond.net.au

Aspendale Gardens Community Centre have a number of activities for the young and young at heart. For information on what we have to offer, check out our website www.agcsinc.org.au or pop into the community centre for a copy of our brochure.

Our office hours are 9.30am-3pm Tuesday to Fridays. Ph. 95875955

COMEDY NIGHT- A night with Marney McQueen. Saturday $23^{\text {rd }}$ March ( 7.30 for an 8 pm show). Marney has received excellent reviews from stars including Jackie Weaver, Barry Humphries as well as Edinburgh and Australian comedy festivals. Come along and enjoy a night of hilarity and support your community centre with our major fundraiser for the year. Tickets only $\$ 35$ for single or $\$ 30$ per person if you book a table of ten. Tickets available on our website www.agcsinc.org.au. Enquiries ph. 95875955.

Free!! Community Child Restraint Check Day: Saturday $16^{\text {th }}$ March from 9 am-1pm. Come along and have your child's restraint checked by a certified fitter who can answer your child safety questions. No bookings required. Enquiries ph. Adriana on 0412210608.

3 year old preschool program. - Some spaces are available for our 2013 preschool program. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please contact us on 95875955.

Occasional Care- now twice a week. Tuesdays 8.30am-11.30am and Fridays 12.15-3.15pm. Take a break and let our qualified child care staff look after your little ones at a very affordable price. Only \$15 per session or \$25 per family (AGCS members) Bookings can be taken one week in advance or you can book a permanent spot (term by term basis) SPACES ARE LIMITED. Enquiries ph. 95875955.

Ballet, Jazz \& tap classes- with Charlesworth Walsh Dance Centre.Tuesdays from 4pm and Saturdays from 8.30am.
Ballet for tinies also available Mondays 9.3010.15am and Saturdays.

Enquiries contact Monique on 59773389

## 2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP Rachel \& Melinda

The Second Hand Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday from 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm and is located in the School Hall. We currently have a great range of items in stock from sizes 4-12 and all are in good, clean condition. Prices begin at $\$ 2$ for polo tops, shorts, windcheaters, skorts etc; so come and have a look and save yourself some money.

## EPS MEMORABILIA

With our Centenary Celebrations coming up this year, we are seeking Edithvale Primary School memorabilia such as photos, letters, old school newsletters etc;

If you have anything we could have (or borrow), please bring it up to the school at your earliest convenience.

Watch out in our future newsletters and on our website [www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au] for details of our celebration activities.


0410043549 info@thebumblebees.com.au www.thebumblebees.com.au

## HOUSE CHANTS

This week all students were involved in creating chants for their House Groups. At Assembly if your house wins, everybody in your house can sing the chant. Let's try and remember to respect the house that wins and listen to their wonderful chant.

## Cook

Anything you can do
Cook will do better
Cook can do anything better than you.

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& \text { C.O.O.K } \\
& \text { Go Cook!!! }
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## Flinders

We are flinders,
We are green.
We work great as a team
Flinders is the best
It beats all the res $\dagger$
GO FLINDERS!

## Murray

2,4,6,8
Who do we appreciate?
Not the blue, not the green, Just the Murray house team! Go Murray!!

## Tasman

(to the tune of 'We Will Rock You')
We are, we are Tasman, Tasman.
We are, we are Tasman, Tasman.
We are the best
Better than the rest
Ready to chase
All over the place
Singing
We are, we are Tasman, Tasman.


You may be eligible if you have:

- a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card
- a child at school or starting next year
- some regular income from work (you or your partner).

Contact Henry Frenkel, your local Saver Plus Worker:
85175670 / 0488069627 or
saverplus@iewishcare.org.au.
Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in Glen Eira, Kingston and Port Phillip by Jewish Care Victoria. Saver Plus is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.

Saver Plus is a matched savings and financial education designed program to assist with education related costs such as school uniforms, shoes, text books, stationery, an iPad, swimming lessons, musical equipment, dance or football are all eligible savings targets.

Participants save up to $\$ 500$ and receive an equal amount in matched funds for your education goals. To be eligible participants must have either a health care or a pension concession card and some regular paid employment.

Saver Plus has been running across Australia for over 10 years and was developed by the ANZ Bank and the Brotherhood of St Laurence. The Program is delivered locally by community based organisations.

For more information see the enclosed brochure included in this newsletter or contact Henry Frenkel on 85175670 or 0488069 627, your local Saver Plus Worker.


## "STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE"

At Patterson River Secondary College we are proud of our students and their academic and cocurricular achievements.

We would like to invite prospective students and parents to see our College in action.

School Tours can be arranged at any time. Please contact the College office to book a tour with the Principal.

Telephone: 87706700
OPEN NIGHT $7^{\text {th }}$ MAY $-7 p m$


We Care
We Learn
We Achieve

## OPEN AFTERNOON:

Come and experience the Year 7 Centre on Saturday $20^{\text {th }}$ April from $2.00-4.00 \mathrm{pm}$ (SEAL information session at 3.00 pm )

## OPEN NIGHT:

See our whole College at work on Tuesday $23^{\text {rd }}$ April from $7.00-9.00 \mathrm{pm}$ (SEAL information session at 6.30 pm )

## SEAL ENTRANCE EXAM:

Saturday $27^{\text {th }}$ April 10.00am -12.00 pm
Tours with our Principal, Michelle Roberts are held every Friday at 9.30am.

Please ring 95801184 to book


## CHELTENHAM SECONDARY COLLEGE

 OPEN NIGHT Monday, 22 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ April 2013 $7.00-9.00 \mathrm{pm}$Prospective parents and students are invited to wew all aspects of the College, beginning with a meeting in the Gymnasium to be addressed by the Principal

- Classrooms open, displays, activities
* Students and teachers at work
* Curriculum and organisational information provided.

Information on our Enhancement Program will be given on the same evening at 6.15 pm in the Auditorium.

## Applications for the 2014 Year 7 intake will be available. <br> $T$ radition and Exesllence <br> in a <br> earing, disciplined environment <br> 95555955

## City of Kingston Vacation Care Program <br> Program Dates: Tue 2 April-Fri 12 April 2013 Enrolments Start: Monday 4 March Close: Friday 22 March 2013

It is requested children who require support for inclusion in a program, submit enrolment and payment forms as early as possible to allow time to apply for funding.
Vacation Care Brochure's are now available at the School Office or can be downloaded from Kingston's website www.kingston.vic.gov.au For enquiries please call the Vacation Care Team on (03) 95814846 or (03) 95814875

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Give us a ring our staff members will be very happy to help you.
One size doesn't fit all
T. 95814852

Kingston Family Day Care
34 Brindisi Street, Mentone VIC 3194



The canteen has a supply of large pre-printed paper bags on sale (free trial bag attached), which can be purchased directly from the canteen or you can order them via your student, via the classroom lunch crates.

## EDIVHVALE PRIVARY SGHOOL <br> Dear Students/Parents/Teachers..

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\text { Prices are: } \quad 50 \text { bags for } \$ 4.00
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Currently the canteen sells similar size bags (without printing) for . 10c each.
If you would like to order, please complete the form below and send along with your money, to the canteen.

GANTEEN-PAPER BAG ORDER

bags and have enclosed my
Thank you.
payment of \$

## Dear Parents/Guardians ...

This year, our school's aim in catering for all aspects of the students continues through our range of extra-curricular activities. We have ensured a range of extra-curricular activities that suit all ages from Prep to Grade 6. The positive feedback we have received from students and parents last year has led to the continuation of providing extra-curricular activities that cater for our singers, dancers, musicians, artists, tech whizzes and humanitarians here at EPS. Each term a table will be included in the newsletter detailing the types of extra-curricular activities available for all students. Some of these activities will change from term to term in order for us to include a wider range of choice for our students. These extra-curricular activities are aimed at engaging and extending students in their overall wellbeing and development.

## TERM 1 EPS Extra-curricular Activities Roster

| WEEK | DAY | EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY | YEAR LEVEL | TIME | WHERE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 | Monday | Environment | Grade 3/4 | 1:40-2:00 | Flagpole |
|  | Tuesday | Computers | Grade 1/2 | 1:40-2:00 | Computer Lab |
|  | Thursday | Relaxation | Grade 4-6 | 1:40-2:00 | 4A |
|  | Friday | Hip hop | Grade 5/6 | 1:45-2:30 | Gallery |
|  |  | Cheerleading | Grade 4/5/6 | 1:45-2:30 | Hall |
|  |  | Library | Grade P-6 | 1:45-2:15 | Library |


| 6- 8 | Monday | Environment | Grade 3/4 | 1:40-2:00 | Flagpole |
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|  | Tuesday | Computers | Grade 1/2 | $1: 40-2: 00$ | Computer Lab |
|  | Wednesday | Games/ Craft | Grade P-1 | $1: 40-2: 00$ | 1 |
|  |  | Grade 1-6 | $2: 00-2: 30$ | Learning Centre |  |
|  |  | Relaxation | Grade 4-6 | $1: 40-2: 00$ | 4A |
|  |  | Hip hop | Grade 4/5/6 | $1: 45-2: 30$ | Gallery |
|  | Cheerleading | Grade 4/5/6 | $1: 45-2: 30$ | Hall |  |
|  | Library | Grade P-6 | $1: 45-2: 00$ | Library |  |
| 9 | $\frac{\text { LAST WEEK }}{}$ |  |  |  |  |

## Extracurricular Activities

## Arts/Crafts

Get ready to create and construct! Here is a hands-on activity that will definitely put your cutting skills to the test. Come and join me for some creepy crawly creature-like art!

## Centenary Choir

Students who are interested in participating in the centenary choir will be practising a set number of songs to perform during the centenary celebrations.

## Cheer/Stunt/Hip Hop

Do you feel like trying something new? Do you love moving your body and challenging yourself to do different stunts and moves? Join Cheer/Stunt/Hip Hop, we will be competing alongside other groups at "regionals" and hopefully the finals this year!

## Environment

Are you interested in our school looking fabulous and amazing? If you are a future landscaper, come and enjoy the environment with us and get your green thumb on!

## Relaxation

Come and find your inner zen. Here is a calm, quiet and relaxing place where you can de-stress.

## Library

If you love to lose yourself in a good book, come to the library and dive in!

| MARCH 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 <br> Bunnings BBQ Keysborough | 3 |
| 4 <br> Prep Begin Normal Timetable-Full Time This Week | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 <br> Parent Helper <br> Reading <br> Program 9- <br> 11am | 9 | 10 |
| 11 <br> Labour Day <br> Holiday | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 <br> Book Club due <br> P.H.Reading <br> Program 9-11 <br> Twilight <br> Working Bee | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | $19$ <br> School Council <br> AGM | 20 | $21$ <br> Student Photos | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | $\begin{aligned} & 26 \\ & \text { Sushi Day } \end{aligned}$ | 27 | $28$ <br> Term 1 Ends | $29$ <br> Good Friday | $30$ <br> Easter <br> Saturday | $31$ <br> Easter Sunday |


| APRIL 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 <br> Term 2 starts | 16 | $17$ <br> Yr $5 \& 6$ Camp | $18$ <br> Yr $5 \& 6$ Camp | $19$ <br> Yr $5 \& 6$ Camp | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 |  |  |  |  |  |

